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SENATE BILL

No. 924

Introduced by Senator Karnette

February 21, 2003

An act to add and repeal Chapter 4.8 (commencing with Section 2195) of Division 3 of the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 924, as amended, Karnette. Global Gateways Development Council.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of all state highways. Existing law requires the department to engage in various transportation planning activities, including activities related to identification of intermodal corridors of economic significance.

This bill, until January 1, 2011, would establish the Global Gateways Development Council in the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, with 9 members appointed by the Legislature and the Governor, in order to review and collect data and information concerning the needs of commercial transportation and to advise the

Legislature, the agency, the department, the California Transportation Commission, and regional transportation planning agencies in that regard. The bill would provide that the council may be convened only after a determination by the Department of Finance that nonstate funds in an amount sufficient to fully support the activities of the council have been deposited with the state. The bill would require the council to report annually to the Legislature and the Governor, *the agency, and the Assembly and Senate Transportation Committees* on the condition of California's goods movement transportation system and would authorize the council to accept grants from various sources. The bill would also authorize the council to employ support staff.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the
2 following:

3 (a) In August 2000, the Legislature approved Senate
4 Concurrent Resolution 96 which requested that the Business,
5 Transportation and Housing Agency and the Department of
6 Transportation report to the Legislature about the status of
7 California's global trade infrastructure.

8 (b) Pursuant to SCR 96, the Business, Transportation and
9 Housing Agency, in January 2002, released a plan for enhancing
10 California's commercial transportation infrastructure entitled
11 "Global Gateways Development Program."

12 (c) The Global Gateways Development Program report states
13 that "improving goods movement is critical to the California
14 economy, where more than one in seven jobs is tied to trade and
15 the value of international trade exceeds \$350 billion annually" and
16 "goods movement is an economic and transportation priority that
17 requires concerted action."

18 (d) Many other states have created single-state or multistate
19 freight advisory boards or commissions intended to improve
20 communication between commercial transportation industry
21 leaders and transportation decisionmakers with regard to funding
22 and project challenges concerning commercial transportation,
23 including Oregon and Washington.



(e) In order to ensure that California's commercial transportation infrastructure continues to meet the needs of the California state, national and international trade economy, the state must facilitate coordination and cooperation between the commercial transportation industry and transportation decisionmakers at all levels of government.

SEC. 2. Chapter 4.8 (commencing with Section 2195) is added to Division 3 of the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

CHAPTER 4.8. GLOBAL GATEWAYS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

2195. (a) There is hereby established in the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency the Global Gateways Development Council, which shall be convened pursuant to this chapter only after a determination by the Department of Finance that nonstate funds, including private funds, in an amount sufficient to fully support the activities of the council, have been deposited with the state. The purpose of the council shall be to review and collect data and to advise the Legislature, the agency, the department, the California Transportation Commission, and regional transportation planning agencies concerning the needs of commercial transportation in California. The activities of the council are intended to contribute to maintaining the state's strategic advantage through improved decisionmaking and prudent and adequate investment. The council shall report annually *on or before December 31* to the ~~Legislature and the Governor~~ *Governor; the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, and the Assembly and Senate Transportation Committees* on the condition of California's goods movement transportation system.

(b) The council may accept grants from federal or local public agencies, or from private sources, in order to assist it in carrying out its duties and functions under this chapter. The council may employ support staff.

2195.1. The Global Gateways Development Council shall consist of nine members. The Senate Committee on Rules, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Governor shall each appoint three members to the council. The appointees shall be representatives of the commercial transportation sector and shall include, but not be limited to, representatives of the maritime

1 industry, the rail industry, the trucking industry, seaports,
2 multimodal shipping firms, and commercial transportation labor
3 organizations.

4 The Global Gateways Development Council shall establish a
5 committee structure to address freight mobility and infrastructure
6 strategic planning, investment, and implementation. The
7 committees shall focus on improving the freight pathway from
8 port of entry to distribution center to delivery point. Improvements
9 shall be designed to support economic vitality, job creation,
10 transportation safety, environmental mitigation, and local, state,
11 and federal antiterrorism efforts.

12 2195.2. Members of the Global Gateways Development
13 Council and the advisory group shall serve without compensation,
14 and no state funds may be used to compensate the members for
15 expenses.

16 2195.3. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January
17 1, 2011, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted
18 statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2011, deletes or extends
19 that date.

